

**RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY
MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING**

19 October 2005

A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, Room 401, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Board members in attendance were:

**Francis Connor, DDS Michael Rubinstein, DDS
Henry Levin, DMD Andrew Molak, DMD
Joseph Box, DMD Richard Glick, DDS
Kathleen Gazzola, RDH Linda Rusack, RDH
Mary Lou Buonaccorsi Bernard Manchester
Virginia Paine**

Staff members in attendance were:

**Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator
Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel
Elizabeth Shelov**

Others in attendance were:

Dr. Robin Lawrence

MaryAnn Barry

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the “Open Minutes” of the 21 September 2005 meeting. Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. Rubinstein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as amended.

Dr. Connor apprised the Board of the recent passing of the mother of Valarie Donnelly, Executive Director of the RI Dental Association. Calling hours will be held on Friday, October 21, 2005 from 9 am to 10 am.

Dental Licensing Sub-Committee:

Dr. Glick reported that the Sub-Committee for Dental Licensure had reviewed the application and credentials of the following candidate and recommends him for licensure :

Thomas P. Connelly, DDS National Boards & NERB

Licensed & practicing in MA since 1997

Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Mrs. Gazzola, it was Voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individual a license to practice

dentistry in Rhode Island.

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Dental Hygiene Licensing Sub-Committee:

Mrs. .Rusack reported that the Sub-Committee for Dental Hygiene Licensure had reviewed the applications and credentials of the following candidates who had applied for licensure:

Pamela Anderson National Boards & NERB (03)

Ann Moberg National Boards & NERB (95)

Licensed in MA since 1995

Deirdre D. O'Connor* National Boards & NERB 2005

***Pending receipt of official transcript**

Upon motion of Dr. Molak, seconded by Dr. Rubinstein, it was Voted

by the Board to issue the aforementioned individuals licenses to practice dental hygiene in Rhode Island.

Elizabeth Shelov provided members with a draft of the proposed Rules and Regulations. After review the Board requested that several sections be amended. Ms. Shelov will revised the regulations as requested and schedule them for community review. The community review will be held on November 16th at 10 am in the Health Policy Forum.

Dr. Connor advised the Board that the ADEX Examination acceptance agreement will be signed and forward to ADEX.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 16 November 2005.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the “Open Session” and enter into “Closed Executive Session” for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the “Open Meeting Law”, so called of Chapter 42-46-5 sub-division (1) and (4) of the General Laws. Upon motion by Dr. Molak, seconded by Dr. Connor, the Board voted unanimously to enter into “Executive Session” at 9:17 a.m

Dr. Lawrence recused himself from the meeting at this time.

The Board returned to “Open Session” at 9:25 a.m.

At this time, Dr. Lawrence returned to the open meeting.

Decisions Ratified in Closed Session

Dr. Connor requested that any decisions ratified during the “Closed Executive Session” be made public for the record, as well as, any business discussed which should be disclosed in the “Open Meeting.

There was no business to report out of closed session..

Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes

The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the “Closed Executive Session” of 21 September 2005 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Mrs. Gazzola, seconded by Dr. Levin, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the minutes.

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Board members reviewed the proposed meeting schedule for 2006. After review and discussion, it was voted by the Board to schedule a meeting in April in lieu of the August meeting. The August meeting was cancelled and a meeting has been scheduled for April 19, 2006.

The Chairman advised that David Gifford, Director of Health, will be meeting with the Board at its December meeting.

Upon motion of Dr. Molak, seconded by Dr. Levin, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Francis Connor, DDS , Chairman
RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry**